

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: May 18, 2005

Division: County Administrator

Bulk Item: Yes ☐ No ☒

Department: County Administrator

Staff Contact Person: Tom Willi

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**AGENDA ITEM WORDING:** Discussion and approval to request from the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority a transfer of wastewater authority from the south end of the 7-mile bridge to, but not including, the area served by the Key West Resort Utility or Key Haven Utilities.

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**ITEM BACKGROUND:** The FKAA has had over four years to complete Little Venice, Conch Key, and Bay Point. Only Little Venice has been completed with the exception of customer hookups. All these projects have exceeded \$16,000 per EDU of taxpayers' money. In contrast to this, Key West Resort Utilities provided 1,500 EDU's and an upgrade to AWT on their existing plant for \$438.00 per EDU. Monroe County will receive back over \$3,100,00 of the \$3,900,00 paid to this utility. This project was also completed in nine months and under budget. As a parallel bid process will only provide the two high bids, Monroe must be the one government agency requesting bids on the Big Coppitt, Rockland, and Cudjoe wastewater projects.

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**PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:** This item was tabled at the March 16, 2005 & April 20, 2005 meetings.

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**CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:**

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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**TOTAL COST:** N/A

**BUDGETED:** Yes ☐ No ☐

**COST TO COUNTY:**

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

**REVENUE PRODUCING:** Yes ☐ No ☐ **AMOUNT PER MONTH**  **Year**

**APPROVED BY:** County Atty ☐ OMB/Purchasing ☐ Risk Management ☐

**DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:**

Thomas J. Willi

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**DOCUMENTATION:** Included ☒

Not Required ☐

**DISPOSITION:**

**AGENDA ITEM #**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_-2005**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING REQUEST THAT FLORIDA KEYS AQUEDUCT AUTHORITY TRANSFER WASTEWATER TO MONROE COUNTY THE JURISDICTION FOR PROJECTS SOUTH OF THE 7-MILE BRIDGE TO, BUT NOT INCLUDING, THE AREAS CURRENTLY SERVED BY K W RESORT UTILITIES CORP. AND KEY HAVEN UTILITY CORPORATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority has had over four years to complete the Little Venice, Conch Key and Bay Point wastewater treatment and sewerage projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority has completed only the Little Venice project except for customer hook-ups; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority has exceeded \$16,000 per EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) of taxpayer's money on its projects; and

**WHEREAS**, K W Resort Utilities Corp. has been able to provide 1,500 EDU's and an upgrade to Advanced Wastewater Treatment on their existing plant at considerably less cost to the taxpayer, within nine months and under budget; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the public and the environment that every effort be taken by the Board of County Commissioners to reduce costs of wastewater treatment/sewerage projects and implement those projects with as much speed as possible;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, THAT:**

1. Monroe County hereby requests that the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority transfer to Monroe County all wastewater jurisdiction for the area of unincorporated Monroe County south of the 7-Mile Bridge to, but not including, the areas served by K W Resort Utilities Corp. (Mile Marker 5.5 and below) and Key Haven Utility Corporation.
2. This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.
3. The Clerk is directed to mail copies of this resolution to Representative Ken Sorensen, the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Bureau Chief of Water Facilities, and the executive officer of the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County this 16th day of March, 2005.

Mayor Dixie M. Spehar \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mayor Pro Tem Charles "Sonny" McCoy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner Murray Nelson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner George Neugent \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner David P. Rice \_\_\_\_\_

**(SEAL)**

Attest: Danny L. Kolhage, Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deputy Clerk

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
 MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MAYOR DIXIE M. SPEHAR

**MONROE COUNTY ATTORNEY  
 APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

*[Signature]*  
**SUZANNE A. HUTTON**  
 ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY  
 Date: 3/11/05